

California Department of Education

Report to the Legislature: Preferred Placement for Children Eleven or Twelve: Savings Resulting from Implementation



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Executive Summary

In 2005, California *Education Code (EC)* Section 8263.4 was amended to specify that the preferred placement for eleven- and twelve-year-old children would be in an After School Education and Safety Program or a 21st Century Community Learning Center Program, now referred to as before or after school programs. This report compiled the data collected pursuant to *EC* Section 8263.4.

EC Section 8263.4(d) requires that child development contractors collect information when a before or after school program is not available for an eleven- or twelve-year-old child. *EC* Section 8263.4(g) further requires that child development contractors annually report the amount of savings due to the transfer of a child to a before or after school program and that the California Department of Education (CDE) report this information to the Legislature annually. The *EC* authorizes contractors to retain the savings generated as a result of this implementation to provide services to additional children.

The CDE identified child development contractors that served eleven- and twelve-year-old children in the Child Development Division (CDD)-funded subsidized child care and development programs. In June 2006, Management Bulletins containing instructions to contractors for reporting necessary information including the amount of savings resulting from implementing the changes were provided to all contractors. For fiscal years 2008–09 and 2009–10, CDD contractors reported savings of \$389,090 and \$464,943, respectively.

You can find this report on the CDE Administrative Resources and Reports Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/re/cddadminres.asp>. If you need a copy of this report, please contact Gretchen Williams, Research Program Specialist II, Child Development Division, by phone at 916-323-6026 or by e-mail at gwilliams@cde.ca.gov.

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The California Department of Education (CDE) respectfully submits the Report to the Legislature on the implementation of California *Education Code*, Section 8263.4 (Chapter 78, Statutes of 2005) for the preferred placement for children ages eleven or twelve.

The chart below and on the next page shows information for two consecutive years, fiscal years (FY) 2008–09 and 2009–10. Included are the number of children and the reasons that they remained in Child Development Division subsidized child care programs.

Preferred Placement for Children Ages Eleven or Twelve		
	FY 2008–09	FY 2009–10
Number of agencies that reported	144	152
Number of children who left Child Development Division programs	583	427
Estimated Savings	\$ 389,090	\$ 464,943

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FY 2008–09 and FY 2009–10—Reasons that Children Remained in a Child Development Division Subsidized Child Development Program				
	FY 2008–09		FY 2009–10	
Reason	Number of Children Remaining for Part of the Day	Number of Children Remaining for All of the Day	Number of Children Remaining for Part of the Day	Number of Children Remaining for All of the Day
A. The program does not provide services when needed during the year, such as during the summer or school breaks.	327	5,161	361	5,475
B. The program does not provide services when needed during the day, such as in the early morning, evening, or weekend hours.	254	3,518	295	3,971
C. The program is too geographically distant from the child's school of attendance.	50	726	52	850
D. The program is too geographically distant from the family's residence.	24	383	30	508
E. Use of the program would create substantial transportation obstacles for the family.	102	1,791	132	2,081
F. A "before or after school program" is not located at my child's school.	143	2,973	224	3,186
G. The "before or after school program" is full and does not have an opening for the child.	73	978	70	1,331
H. There is not a "before or after school program" in the county.	10	511	9	580
I. Any other reason identified by the family. Attach an additional page, if necessary.	138	2,123	103	1,956
J. Total	961	18,112	1,228	19,260